

Appln. No. 10/638,156
Amendment dated March 6, 2006
Reply to Office Action mailed January 5, 2006

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Entry of the above amendments is courteously requested in order to place all claims in this application in allowable condition and/or to place the non-allowed claims in better condition for consideration on appeal.

Claims 1 through 4 and 7 through 18 remain in this application. Claims 5 and 6 have been cancelled. No claims have been withdrawn or added.

The Examiner's rejections will be considered in the order of their occurrence in the Office Action.

Part 1 of the Office Action

Claim 17 has been objected to for the informalities noted in the Office Action.

Claim 17 has been amended to change "space" to "spaces".

Withdrawal of the objection to claim 17 is therefore respectfully requested.

Parts 2 through 4 of the Office Action

Claims 1, 2, 5 and 15 through 18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Gray.

Claims 3 and 4 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gray in view of Harris.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the requirements of claims 5 and 6, which was indicated in part 4 of the Office Action as being allowable

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over the prior art, and therefore claim 1, as well as the claims that depend from claim 1, are submitted to be in condition for allowance.

Withdrawal of the §102(b) and §103(a) rejections of claims 1 through 4, 7 through 11, and 15 through 18 is therefore respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, early reconsideration and allowance of this application are most courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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